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Sent: 11/29/2010 9:51:43 PM
To: Nassif, Julianne (DPH) [/O=COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS/OU=MassMail-01/cn=Recipients/cn=Julianne.Nassif]; Bucci, Jeremy (SUF) [/O=COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS/OU=MassMail-01/cn=Recipients/cn=Users/cn=JBucci]
CC: Salemi, Charles (DPH) [/O=COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS/OU=MassMail-01/cn=Recipients/cn=Charles.Salemi]
Subject: RE: question on resubmittal
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Dear Julie,

How often does a request to retest occur? If it is frequent, then I agree that it would be a waste of limited resources. Also, is the test the same test then as now? Are there any concerns that the testing procedures have become more accurate in the past 16 years? If the request to retest is frequent and the tests are the same, then I agree that we can use a non-testing chemist to testify. These are my thoughts. Others are certainly welcome.

Thank you,
Christina

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From: Nassif, Julianne (DPH)
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2010 12:03 PM
To: Bucci, Jeremy (SUF); Miller, Christina (SUF)
Cc: Salemi, Charles (DPH)
Subject: FW: question on resubmittal

Hi,

I hope all is well. Please see the email trail below regarding an old drug case (1995) tested by two chemists who no longer work at the laboratory. One lives in California and I honestly don't know where the other is. We are happy to provide a knowledgeable chemist to testify to the notes at the trial in February. (Alternatively, we may be able to provide the last known addresses for the testing chemists but I don't know how long HR records are maintained).

It is terrible waste of limited analytical resources not to mention a bad precedent to set, to resubmit and reanalyze these drugs. Will you please follow-up with ADA Flynn and advise?

Thanks, Julie Nassif

From: Salemi, Charles (DPH)
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2010 11:31 AM
To: Nassif, Julianne (DPH)
Cc: O'Brien, Elisabeth (DPH)
Subject: FW: question on resubmittal

Julie, do you want to respond to this ADA about an old sample. It was done by Tom Hol. and Sandy. We have the card and Tom's powder sheet. CBS

From: Khan, Annie (DPH)
Sent: Friday, November 26, 2010 10:44 AM
To: Salemi, Charles (DPH); O'Brien, Elisabeth (DPH)
Cc: Flynn, Brenna (SUF)
Subject: FW: question

See below.

Brenna is looking for some advice on an old (1994) case. The Lab # [REDACTED] Tom was the primary and Sandy was the confirmatory.

At your convenience, could you please respond to Brenna? Greatly appreciated.

Thanks.

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From: Flynn, Brenna (SUF)
Sent: Friday, November 26, 2010 10:25 AM
To: Glazer, Lisa (DPH); Khan, Annie (DPH); Saunders, Della (DPH)
Subject: question

Hi Guys - hope you had a great thanksgiving!

I am emailing because I have a very old case (1994). According to BPD the drugs are still available. They were tested in January of 1995 and I have the cert, but I am guess the chemists are no longer available (Thomas Hollenbeck and Sandra Lipchus) ?? If they are not, is it possible to have them re-tested? Trial is set for 2/10/11. I am emailing you guys because you are the only chemists I am familiar with - thanks in advance for your help figuring this out!

take care,
Brenna

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